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Amendment
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Amendments To The Specification:

On page 9, please replace the paragraph starting on line 11 with the following:

-- Other embodiments are within the claims to this invention. For example, referring to Figures 7-10, the sleeves 22, 24, ~~seen in~~ shown in Figures 1 and 2 may take the form of wire coils 24b, 24c, as shown in Figures 7-10, which may for example be stainless steel, nitinol or polyamides such as nylon, or other plastics such as polyethylene or polyimide material or the like. The spiral may be cut only partially into the body as a spiral cut or it may be cut all the way through, as shown. The coil configuration aids in the urge of the sleeve against the ends of the stent. Figures 7-10 only show one side of the catheter balloon. It should be understood that the mirror sleeve is similarly constructed. --